

IE SPIRIT of in applicawas the pervading characteristie of relations between the various countries of America during 1908.

The year was marked by numerous gatherings of the representative elements of national life both in Latin America and the United States and on all occasions indications of a unanimity of sentiment and community of interest were markedly displayed.

Of paramount importance was the carrying into effect of the various



crease of \$477,213,097 being indicated. Latin America figured in the grand total for \$1,977,737,019, showing a decline of \$89,647,589 in the trade volas compared with the previous

Imports into all of Latin America during 1908 amounted in value to \$893,253,998, against \$1,000,297,852 in

1907, the indicated decline for this branch of trade being \$107,043,854. On the other hand exports with a total valuation of \$1.084,483,021 show a gain of \$15,578,701 over the figures for 190?, when Latin-American merchandise was shipped abroad to the value of \$1,068,904,329.

From the foregoing statement it is

demand for articles of Latin-American origin created

trade balance in favor of the producing countries to the

extent of \$191,229,023, in which sum the exports for the

States' share was \$468,216,455, as compared with \$558,

279,201 in 1907, receipts of Latin-American merchandise

figuring on the trade lists of the country for \$271,498,425

and shipments of United States goods to those countries

being represented by \$196,718,030, as compared with im-

ports worth \$317,726,133 and exports \$240,553,068 in 1907.

clusions must not be drawn as to the value of the Latin-

American field of trade. The falling off in the exchange

of commodities for the year 1908 with the United States,

as already suggested, was due almost entirely to unfavor-

able and unusual economic conditions. The reliable

measure of such value is determined by comparing the

statistics of the present with those of 10 years ago, and

here a great increase is shown. The outlook for the com-

ing year is good, and there is an awakening among busi-

ness men in both North and South America to the possi-bilities of trade exchange heretofore undeveloped which

must have a beneficial effect on Pan-American commerce.

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In considering the figures given above, adverse con-

In the year's trade total for Latin America the United

year exceeded the imports.

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ADOR | 1.089.950

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CUBA - 79.114,976.



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## A New One About Napoleon.

A "new" story about Napoleon is necessarily doubtful; the probability is that it is simply so old that it has been forgotten. However, here is one that Arthur M. Chuquet prints in L'Opinion as never before published. It relatesto Napoleon and Blucher.

The emperor received the general at the castle of Finkenstein, while he was preparing for the slege of Danzig. He drew him to a window in an upper story and paid him compliments on his military gifts, and Blucher, going away delighted, described the interview to his aide-de-camp, "What a chance you missed!" exclaimed the latter.

"You might have changed the whole course of history." "How?"

"Why, you might have thrown him out of the window.'

"Confound it!" replied Blucher. "So might! If only I had thought of it." -New York Evening Post.

Carnations Go to Sleep. Florists often suffer losses through habit carnations have of sometimes 'going to sleep" and never opening again. A series of experiments made in the Hull botanical laboratory and described in the Botanical Gazette makes it seems probable that this "sleep" is caused by the effect of illuminating gas, to which, even in very small quantities, these flowers are

### Its Troubles,

surprisingly sensitive.

The family skeleton complained. "I wouldn't mind being exhibited once in awhile," said the skeleton, articulating with difficulty through its set teeth, "but they air me so frequently in the courtroom, where the

air is always notoriously bad." But who ever thinks of looking at such exhibitions from the family skeleton's point of view?

Dodaina Work.

"It's too hot to do housework," sighed the wife.

"I know it is."

"Let's go and spend a few days with the Browns at their summer cottage. They'll be tickled to death to have

"I am convinced," said the proprietor of the jeweler's shop, as the plate glass window shivered into a million fragments and the chauffeur and his machine began to nestle behind the counter, "that the taxicab has come to stay."-London Globe.

The prospect of everlasting life looks a good deal better to the average man than an everlasting sermon sounds.

### THE DOCTOR'S WIFE Agrees with Him About Food.

A trained nurse says: "In the practice of my profession I have found so many points in favor of Grape-Nuts food that I unhesitatingly

recommend it to all my patients. "It is delicate and pleasing to the palate (an essential in food for the sick), and can be adapted to all ages, being softened with milk or cream for babies or the aged when deficiency of teeth renders mastication impossible. For fever patients or those on liquid diet I find 'Grape-Nuts and albu-

men water very nourishing and refreshing." "This recipe is my own idea and is made as follows: Soak a teaspoonful of Grape-Nuts in a glass of water for an hour, strain and serve with the beaten white of an egg and a spoonful of fruit juice for flavouring. This affords a great deal of nourishment that even the weakest stomach can assimilate without any distress.

"My husband is a physician and he uses Grape-Nuts himself and orders it many times for his patients. "Personally I regard a dish of Grape-

Nuts with fresh or stewed fruit as the ideal breakfast for anyone-well or

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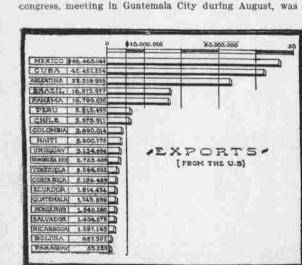
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Conference of 1907 entered into by the republics of Central America. In accordance with these conventions the Central American court of justice held its first session in May, 1908, at Cartago, Costa Rica, the first judicial decision being rendered in December. On September 15 the Central American bureau was inaugurated in the capital of Guatemala for the furtherance of reciprocal interests among the nations of Central America and with the assembling of the first Central American conference at Tegucigalpa, Honduras, in the first month of 1909, additional emphasis is given to the intention of the nations interested to embrace all feasible means for the development

of their material possibilities. The participation of Pan-America was a feature of the Lake Mohonk conferences of 1908 and 1909 and active interest was indicated in such industrial assemblies as the International Fisherles congress, the Irrigation congress, the Trans-Mississippi Commercial congress, the Rivers and Harbors congress and the Conservation congress, all of which were held in the United States and attended by

delegates from the republics to the south. In the field of science the Fifth Pan-American Medical



an event of note, and the gathering of savants of the

western hemisphere in Santiago de Chile in December.

for the purpose of holding the first Pan-American Sci-

TRADE OF AMERICA IN 1908.

Exports

220,475,000

14,998,744

7,757,525 94,603,324

9,486,344

8,346,371

6.756,143

3,478,848

1.834,060

4,500,000

1,757,135 3,781,745

27,750,000 5,787,677

14,560,830

1,752,833,247 37,280,523

Total.

\$638,978,077

33,837,000 397,925,000

214,040,832 28,512,636

13,386,930 179,821,715

14,613,807 15,296,627 12,567,729 8,180,008 4,664,039

232,170,000 7,500,000

9,563,946 7,661,724

52,750,000 10,028,237

71,899,327 24,339,640

2,869,282,928

Imports.

177,450,000

97,551,421 13,513,892

5,629,405 85,218,391

5,127,463 6,950,256

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2.829,979

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Totals .....\$2,009,703,679 \$2,837,316,268 \$4,847,019,947

25,000,00

Argentine Rep.... \$272,972,736 \$366,005,341

Bolivia .....

Brazil .....

Cuba ..... Dominican Rep. ..

Ecuador ..... Guatemala ....

Haiti .....

Honduras .....

Nicaragua .....

Paraguay Peru (estimated).

Panama .....

Venezuela .....

Mexico ..... 110,800,000

Salvador ...... 4,240,560 United States ....1,116,449,681

Uruguay ...... 34,618,804

ment to this co-operative action, Washington was se

entific congress, marked

the entry of the United

States into the realm of in-

tellectual activity covered

by the four Latin-American

scientific congresses previ-

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ously held.

Intellectual stimulus has been aroused through the dents in United States universities as well as by a vastly augmented interest on the part of the United States in the applied educational methods of Latin-American

Not the least contributing factor in this interest is the better knowledge being daily acquired through the tide of travel which is setting toward Latin America and for which improved communication facilities are largely re sponsible.

The aggregate of trade for the various countries com posing the International Union of American Republic during 1908 was \$4,847,019,947, against \$5,415,798,197 in the preceding year. This loss of over \$550,000,000 is at tributable to well-known economic causes which affects commercial centers throughout the world.

In the total for the year the share of the United States is represented by \$2,869,282,928, composed of im-

lected for the next meeting place of the congress, in.

1912 holding of students' congresses and the year 1908 was marked by an increased number of Latin-American stu-

countries

With the assembling of the fourth International Con ference of American States in Buenos Aires in 1910 the common interests of the American nations will be still further accentuated and the results of the previous meetings at Washington, Mexico and Rio de Janeiro reported on in the light of recent events demonstrating the status of America as a whole in world affairs.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

ports, \$1,116,449,681, and

exports \$1,752,833,247, as

compared with \$3,346,596,-

025, composed of \$1,423,169,-

820 and \$1,923,426,205 for

imports and exports, re-

spectively, in 1907, a de-

The following table gives the chief weights and measures in commercial use in Mexico and the republics of Central and South America, and their equivalents in the United States:

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8	Denomination,	Where used.	U. S. equiv'I'nt	Denomination.	Where used.	U.S. equiv'I'nt
100	Are	Metric	0.2471 acre.	Kilometer	do	0.621376 mile
v	Arobe	Paraguay	25 lbs.	League (land)	Paraguay	4.633 acres.
2	Arroba (dry)	Argentine Republic	25,3171 lbs.	Libra	Argentine Republic	1.0127 lbs.
n.		Brazil		Do	Central America	1.043 lbs.
1		Cuba				
	Do	Venezuela	. 25,4042 lbs.	Do	Cuba	1.0161 lbs.
e	Arroba (liquid)	Cuba and Venezuela	4.263 gals.	Do	Mexico	1.01465 lbs.
8	Barril	Arg. Rep. and Mexico	. 20.0787 gals.	Do	Peru	. 1.0143 lbs.
r	Carga	Mexico and Salvador	. 300 lbs.	Do	Uruguay	. 1.0143 lbs.
-	Centaro	Mexico and Salvador Central America	. 4.2631 gals.	Do	Venezuela	1.0161 lbs.
27	Cuadra	Argentine Republic	. 4.2 acres.	Liter	Metric	. 1.0567 qts.
1.	Do	Paraguay	. 78.9 yds.	Manzana	Costa Rica	. 1 5-6 acres.
240000		Paraguay (square)			Bolivia	
e		Uruguay			Metric	
11		Metric			Argentine Republic	
8	Fanega (dry)	Central America	. 1.5745 bu.	Quintal	do	. 101.42 lbs.
0	Do	Chile	. 2.575 bu.	Do	Brazil	, 130.06 lbs.
R	Do	Cuba	. 1.599 bu.	Do	Chile, Mexico, Peru	. 101.61 lbs.
	Do	Mexico Uruguay (double)	. 1.54728 bu.	Do	Paraguay	. 100 lbs.
	Do	Uruguay (double)	. 7.776 bu.	Do	Metric	. 220.46 lbs.
1-	Do	Uruguay (single)	. 3.888 bu.	Suerte	Urugusy	. 2,700 cuadras.
8	Do	Venezuela	. 1.599 bu.			(See Cuadra)
n	Frasco	Argentine Republic	. 2.5096 qts.	Vara	Argentine Republic	
t-	Do	Mexico	. 2.5 qts.	Do	Central America	. 33.874 in.
d	Gram	Metric	. 15.432 gr.	100	Chile and Peru	. 33.367 in.
000	Hectare	do	. 2.471 acres.	Do	Cuba	, 33.384 in.
Con I	Hectoliter (dry).	do	. 2.838 bu.		Mexico	. 33 in.
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Buckingham palace, given by Queen who very correctly addressed the club life.

Victoria, his royal highness remarked prince as "your royal highness," but

Heir Apparent to British Throne Reserved and Dislikes

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Ceremony.

What is known in society as the Mariborough house set is far smaller now than when the king was prince of the property in the most universally popular to you. Sir Arthur Bigge, the prince's prince has a prince of Wales, says a writer in the Boston Transcript. The present heir to the throne, though he inherits many of one occasion, when the prince was air
Wictoria, his royal highness remarked to him humorously: "I like sitting next to he repeated the expression more often slevely in Canada, who some years ago solvely in Canada, who some years ago and the prince at last, "I know I am a royal highness, but please do not remarked to him humorously: "I like string next to solve left the prince at last, "I know I am a royal highness, but please do not remarks about the amount of time remarks about the amount of time a clubman as was the king was prince of Wales' hand was necessary. "My dear sir, "I know I am a

ting next to him at a state banquet at Among the guests was a young man known not to approve altogether of before he started, "I believe I would have gone on wasting my time until I There is a younger son of a well- was too old to be of any use in the

# KING THAT IS TO BE